



# Town of Groton, Connecticut

## Meeting Agenda

45 Fort Hill Road  
Groton, CT 06340-4394  
Town Clerk 860-441-6640  
Town Manager 860-441-6630

### Town Council

*Mayor James L. Streeter, Councilors Bruce S. Flax, Bill Johnson, Catherine Kolnaski, Deborah B. Monteiro, Frank O'Beirne, Jr., Deborah L. Peruzzotti, Paulann H. Sheets, and Harry A. Watson*

Tuesday, March 16, 2010

7:30 PM

Town Hall Annex - Community Room 1

### REGULAR MEETING

#### I. ROLL CALL

#### II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

#### III. RECOGNITION, AWARDS & MEMORIALS

#### IV. RECEIPT OF CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

This is the portion of the Council Agenda where the Council welcomes comments from citizens. Each presentation should be limited to five (5) minutes or less, and citizens should, if possible, submit written comments. Presentations should be related to matters pertinent to Groton. Town Councilors will only ask questions in order to clarify the speaker's presentation and can respond during the Responses to Citizens' Petitions portion of the Town Council meeting. Citizens should make their presentations from the lectern and state their names and addresses for the record.

#### V. RESPONSES TO CITIZENS' PETITIONS, COMMENTS AND CONCERNS

#### VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under Item VI (Consent Calendar) are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion of these items will take place, unless cause is shown prior to the time Council votes on the motion to adopt.

##### a. Approval of Minutes

2010-0063 Approval of Minutes (Town Council)

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Town Council meeting of March 2, 2010 are hereby accepted and approved.

##### b. Administrative Items

2010-0049 Special Trust Fund Contributions

Resolution - Consent

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPECIAL TRUST FUNDS

RESOLVED, that the Town Council hereby accepts contributions to the Town as follows:

Lisa Early - \$10.00 - Animal Shelter Miscellaneous  
Jessica Reynolds - \$10.00 - Animal Shelter Miscellaneous  
Greg Bobat - \$6.00 - Animal Shelter Miscellaneous  
Various Donations - \$1,385.38 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
City of Groton Matching Funds - \$1,318.41 - Groton Utilities Energy Assistance Program  
Michael and Rebecca Freeman (BONCO Group) - \$120.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
George Marshall - \$100.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
Barbara Weeman - \$10.00 - Social Services Discretionary  
Benjamin and Annie Philbrick - \$50.00 - Arts Cafe Miscellaneous

**c. Deletions from the Town Council Referral List**

2009-0304	Adoption of Rules for Twenty-Seventh Town Council	Referral
2010-0051	Agreement with the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut to Establish an Agency Endowment Fund	Referral
2010-0052	Port Security Grant	Referral
2010-0054	Annual RTM Budget Meeting	Referral
2010-0055	Appointment of Nancy Gilly to the Southeast Area Transit (SEAT) Regional Board	Referral
2010-0056	Appointment of Roscoe Merritt to Southeast Area Transit (SEAT) Regional Board	Referral
2010-0057	Appointment of Bob Westhaver to Task Force on Climate Change and Sustainable Community	Referral
2010-0058	Appointment of Susan Kietzman to Library Board	Referral
2010-0059	Reappointment of Richard Semeraro to Library Board	Referral
2010-0060	Reappointment of Joan Warren to Library Board	Referral
2010-0061	Reappointment of Rosemary Duval-Arnould to Library Board	Referral
2010-0062	Reappointment of Mary Ellen Furlong to Inland Wetlands Agency	Referral

**VII. COMMUNICATION REPORTS (Other than Committee Reports)**

- a. Town Councilors
- b. Clerk of the Representative Town Meeting
- c. Clerk of the Council
- d. Town Manager
- e. Town Attorney

**VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. Community & Cultural Development - Chairman Peruzzotti
- b. Economic Development - Chairman Johnson
- c. Education/Health & Social Services - Chairman Kolnaski
- d. Environment/Energy - Chairman Sheets
- e. Finance - Chairman O'Beirne
- f. Personnel/Appointments/Rules - Chairman Flax
- g. Public Safety - Chairman Monteiro
- h. Public Works/Recreation - Chairman Watson
- i. Committee of the Whole - Mayor Streeter

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**X. NEW BUSINESS****2009-0304 Adoption of Rules for Twenty-Seventh Town Council Referral****RESOLUTION ADOPTING RULES FOR THE TWENTY-SEVENTH TOWN COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, at the first convening of the Twenty-Seventh Town Council on December 1, 2009, Mayor Streeter appointed a Temporary Rules Committee, and

WHEREAS, members of the Temporary Rules Committee recommended only minor updates and correction of Charter section references to the Temporary Rules, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Council adopts the Rules of Procedure of the Twenty-Seventh Town Council (attached), said Rules to be effective immediately.

**Legislative History**

12/1/2009 Mayor Referred Town Council Committee of the

12/8/2009 Town Council Committee of the Whole Discussed

*A Temporary Rules Committee has been established and any suggestions should be forwarded to the Committee.*

3/9/2010 Town Council Committee of the Whole Discussed

3/9/2010 Town Council Committee of the Whole Recommended for a Resolution

**2010-0051 Agreement with the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut to Establish an Agency Endowment Fund Referral****AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEASTERN CONNECTICUT FOR AN AGENCY FUND ENDOWMENT**

WHEREAS, the Groton Public Library does not currently have an endowment fund and it has received a \$5,000 donation stipulating that it be placed in an endowment fund, and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial to have an endowment fund whereby residents and patrons can easily donate to the Library, and

WHEREAS, Library staff have researched various options for setting up an endowment fund and identified the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut as the best option, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager or his designated agent is authorized to enter into an agreement for an agency fund endowment with the Community Foundation of Southeastern Connecticut.

**Legislative History**

3/4/2010 Mayor Referred Town Council Committee of the

3/9/2010 Town Council Committee of the Whole Discussed

3/9/2010 Town Council Committee of the Whole Recommended for a Resolution

**2010-0052 Port Security Grant Referral****RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A PORT SECURITY GRANT FOR A MARINE PATROL VESSEL**

WHEREAS, the Port Security Grant Program provides funds to public safety and law enforcement entities to acquire necessary equipment to enhance port security and address associated homeland security issues, and

WHEREAS, the grant would fund training in equipment use as well as practical exercises to further develop and improve upon the recognized standard skills, methods and techniques in the prevention, detection, response and recovery from terroristic attacks, activities or incidents to the Port of New London and its surrounding waters, and

WHEREAS, the Groton Town Police plan to use the grant to purchase a marine patrol, mission-specific, equipped and designed vessel along with related training of personnel in the use of said vessel to enhance the public safety for recreational, commercial, and military vessels, as well as swimmers and other citizens using the navigable waters within the jurisdictional water boundaries of the Town of Groton, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Manager or his designated agent may apply for the Port Security Grant of \$352,384 for Fiscal Year 2010.

Legislative History

3/4/2010	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the
3/9/2010	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Discussed	
3/9/2010	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	

**2010-0054 Annual RTM Budget Meeting Referral**

RESOLUTION SETTING RTM BUDGET MEETING DATE ON THE 2010-2011 ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET

WHEREAS, Section 9.3.1 of the Groton Town Charter requires that the Town Council determine the date for the annual budget meeting of the Representative Town Meeting, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Annual Budget Meeting of the Representative Town Meeting will be held on Monday, May 3, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Groton Senior Center, Newtown Road, Groton, Connecticut.

Legislative History

3/9/2010	Town Council Committee of the Whole	Recommended for a Resolution	
3/9/2010	Mayor	Referred	Town Council Committee of the

**2010-0055 Appointment of Nancy Gilly to the Southeast Area Transit (SEAT) Regional Board Referral**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING NANCY GILLY TO THE SOUTHEAST AREA TRANSIT (SEAT) REGIONAL BOARD

RESOLVED, that Nancy Gilly, 43 Merlino Drive, is hereby appointed to the Southeast Area Transit (SEAT) Board for a term expiring 12/1/13.

Legislative History

3/9/2010	Town Council	Recommended for a
	Personnel/Appointments/Rules	Resolution
	/Legislation Committee	

**2010-0056 Appointment of Roscoe Merritt to Southeast Area Transit (SEAT) Regional Board Referral**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING ROSCOE MERRITT TO THE SOUTHEAST AREA TRANSIT

## (SEAT) REGIONAL BOARD

RESOLVED, that Roscoe Merritt, 19 Birmingham Court, is hereby appointed to the Southeast Area Transit (SEAT) Board for a term expiring 12/1/11.

Legislative History

3/9/2010      Town Council      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee

- 2010-0057      **Appointment of Bob Westhaver to Task Force on Climate Change and Sustainable Community**      **Referral**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING BOB WESTHAVER TO THE TASK FORCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY

RESOLVED, that Bob WestHaver, 809 Shennecossett Road, is hereby appointed to the Task Force on Climate Change and Sustainable Community for a term ending 12/2/2010.

Legislative History

3/9/2010      Town Council      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee

- 2010-0058      **Appointment of Susan Kietzman to Library Board**      **Referral**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING SUSAN KIETZMAN TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

RESOLVED, that Susan B. Kietzman, 25 West Mystic Avenue, Mystic, is appointed to the Library Board for a term ending 12/31/11.

Legislative History

3/9/2010      Town Council      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee

- 2010-0059      **Reappointment of Richard Semeraro to Library Board**      **Referral**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING RICHARD SEMERARO TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

RESOLVED, that Richard Semeraro, 202 High Street, Mystic, is reappointed to the Library Board for a term ending 12/31/12.

Legislative History

3/9/2010      Town Council      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee

- 2010-0060      **Reappointment of Joan Warren to Library Board**      **Referral**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING JOAN WARREN TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

RESOLVED, that Joan Warren, 234 Elm Street, is reappointed to the Library Board for a term ending 12/31/12.

Legislative History

3/9/2010      Town Council      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee

- 2010-0061      **Reappointment of Rosemary Duval-Arnould to Library Board**      **Referral**

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING ROSEMARY DUVAL-ARNOULD TO THE LIBRARY BOARD

RESOLVED, that Rosemary E. Duval-Arnould, 90 Colony Road, is reappointed to the Library Board

for a term ending 12/31/12.

Legislative History

3/9/2010      Town Council      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee

2010-0062      Reappointment of Mary Ellen Furlong to Inland Wetlands Agency      Referral

RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MARY ELLEN FURLONG AS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER  
TO THE INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY

RESOLVED, that Mary Ellen Furlong, 57 Fishtown Lane, Mystic, is reappointed as an alternate to  
the Inland Wetlands Agency for a term ending 12/31/11.

Legislative History

3/9/2010      Town Council      Recommended for a  
Personnel/Appointments/Rules Resolution  
/Legislation Committee

**XI.    OTHER BUSINESS**

**XII.   ADJOURNMENT**